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STATE OF MAINE DEPARTMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES 21 STATE HOUSE STATION AUGUSTA, MAINE 04333-0021

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COMMISSIONER

Date: October 25, 2019

To: Town of Frenchboro, Municipal Officials and Harbormaster

Riparian (shorefront) landowners within 1,000 ft. of the aquaculture lease site

Case-specific mailing list

From: Department of Marine Resources (DMR) Aquaculture Division

Re: Notice of Completed Renewal Application and Comment Period

DMR has received a completed lease renewal application for the following:

Lease Acronym	SWAN BI	
Applicant	Cooke Aquaculture USA, Inc.	
Culture Type	⊠ Net pen	✓ Suspended culture(Bottom and/or surface gear)
Species	⊠ Shellfish ☐ Marine alga	e ⊠Finfish □Other
Location, Waterbody, Town	Off Black Island in Frenchboro, ME	
Lease Renewal Request	Acreage: 15 Acres	Length of Renewal Term: 20 Years
Comment Period Deadline and Submission	No later than 4:00 p.m. on November 28, 2019	DMR Attn: Aquaculture Division 21 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0021 DMRaquaculture@maine.gov

COMMENT PERIOD: DMR announces a **30-day public comment period** during which interested persons may submit written comments or request a public hearing on the application. A hearing is optional for lease renewal applications unless the Department receives five or more written requests from interested persons during the comment period. Please submit written comments by mail or email to the address provided above by the deadline.

VIEW THE APPLICATION: To view a copy of the completed application, please visit: https://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture/leases/pending/index.html

CONTACT THE APPLICANT: Please contact the applicant with any questions regarding their proposal. Contact information for the applicant can be found in their application.

Relevant Authority: The legal authority for this notice is 12 MRSA §6072 (12) and DMR Rules Chapter 2.45.